

**Tionesta Lake**, authorized by the Flood Control Act of 1938, is one of 16 flood damage reduction projects in the Pittsburgh District. Tionesta is a key link in a system of flood control projects for the Allegheny and upper Ohio Rivers. Since its completion in 1940, Tionesta has prevented more than \$536 million in flood damage.

The project's flood control capabilities were dramatically demonstrated during the 1972 flooding resulting from Tropical Storm Agnes when more than \$62 million in damage were prevented by Tionesta alone.



## Lake and Dam Statistics

Location: On Tionesta Creek, 1.25 miles above the confluence of the creek with the Allegheny River at Tionesta, Pa. The project is located in Forest County.

Total Area:	3,184 acres
Drainage area above dam:	478 sq. mi.
Construction costs:	\$6,000,000

## Dam

Type of structure:

Compact earth-filled with impervious core

Volume of earthfill and rockfill:

1,772,000 cu yd

Maximum height above streambed: 154 ft.

Total length: 1,050 ft.

Maximum width at base: 1,080 ft.

Outlet works:

19' x 1,875' concrete lined tunnel

Three 7.5' x 16' vertical lift gates

Two 24" gate valves

## Lake

Length at normal pool: 6.3 mi.

Normal (summer) pool: 480 acres

Maximum pool: 2,770 acres

Elevation above sea level:

Streambed at dam: 1,043 ft.

Normal (summer) pool: 1,089 ft.

Maximum pool: 1,170 ft.

# Tionesta Lake



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### Tionesta Lake

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[www.lrp.usace.army.mil/rec/rec.htm](http://www.lrp.usace.army.mil/rec/rec.htm)

### Tionesta Recreation Area Campground

(814) 755-3592 (May-Sep)

Reservations can be made for the Tionesta Recreation Area Campground online at

[www.Recreation.gov](http://www.Recreation.gov) or by calling (877) 444-6777

### Tionesta Fire & Ambulance

(814) 755-3200

### PA State Police

(814) 755-3565

# R e c r e a t i o n

Winding its way through the rugged hills of northwestern Pennsylvania, Tionesta Lake offers a unique setting for outdoor recreational opportunities. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers invites you to visit and discover Tionesta's delightful lake and the natural beauty of the surrounding forest.

For those looking for a memorable outdoor experience, Tionesta Lake offers a mix of beautiful scenery and recreational activities that will not soon be forgotten. Outdoor enthusiasts can enjoy boating, camping, hunting, fishing, hiking, waterskiing, picnicking, sightseeing, and much more.



Fishermen have found the variety of waters in the area enticing and productive. The mountain streams, placid lake and nearby Allegheny River yield many fine trout, muskie, walleye, bass, and pan fish.

The lake and its miles of unspoiled shoreline offer unlimited opportunities for water-based recreation. Watercraft of all types and sizes can be found on Tionesta Lake.

Campers will find a welcome change of pace from everyday urban life at one of Tionesta's many tree-shaded campsites. Camping facilities range from rustic in nature, which are located at lakeside and accessible only by boat, to campsites equipped with full hook-ups.

Home to a remarkable variety of wildlife, Tionesta is one of Pennsylvania's best big game regions. Hunters will find deer in abundance as well as bear, turkey and small game.

If sightseeing for the day, visit Tionesta Lake and enjoy a leisurely picnic with family and friends or a walk on the self-guided nature trails. There are also several scenic overlooks that provide exciting vistas of the lake and wooded hillsides.

